



# CITY OF LODI

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

**AGENDA TITLE:** Conduct a Public Hearing to consider and approve community input and proposals for uses of the City's 2003/04 Federal allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Program Funds and the reallocation of available funds from previous program years.

**MEETING DATE:** March 5, 2003

**PREPARED BY:** Community Development Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** That the City Council conduct a Public Hearing to consider potential uses of Federal funds received through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Programs for the 2003-04 fiscal year and the reallocation of available funds from previous program years. Staff is recommending that the Council approve funding allocation amounts dependent upon the results of the public hearing. A summary of the applications, a listing of the funding requests and staff recommendations are attached as exhibits to this communication.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The City will receive \$843,222.00 in CDBG funds and \$245,891.00 in HOME funds from the Federal government for the coming fiscal year. Requests for CDBG funding totaled, \$1,629,263.00 for projects or programs in the 2003/04 Program year. CDBG funds can be used to address a wide range of community needs such as park improvements, ADA retrofits and other community organization based projects. There was one outside request for HOME funds in the amount of \$80,000.00 from Habitat for Humanity. Federal HOME funds must be used to address housing and housing-related activities such as housing rehabilitation and new construction. The balance of HOME funds will be directed to our Housing Assistance Program.

The Community Development Department staff is also adding the reallocation of available funds from a previous Program year in order to get the funds used in a timely manner and keep our balance of funds within HUD Guidelines.

Community Development Department staff has reviewed all applications and has met with most of the program applicants to review their requests. From that review, staff is recommending funding for each applicant in the amount requested, with the following exceptions:

1. **Lodi Unified School District** *Requested Amount: \$245,989 Recommended Amount: \$100,000*  
Their request included 7 project sites for the replacement of existing playground equipment or the installation of new playground equipment where none exist now. Due to the constraints of available funding, not all projects have been recommended for approval. Those projects included in the staff recommendation are located within or serve targeted Eastside neighborhoods.

APPROVED:

  
H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

2. **Senior Service Agency** *Requested Amount: \$11,440 Recommended Amount: 0*  
Their request was for a portion of the funding necessary for the purchase of a new delivery vehicle for the Meals on Wheels Program. No increase or expansion of service was documented in their request, so it is not an eligible activity.
3. **Mary Graham Foundation** *Requested Amount: \$57,147 Recommended Amount: \$48,345*  
A portion of this request, for interior handicap signage, was deemed ineligible as it is or should be part of the current County construction project for the Child Advocacy Center. That portion was also not included in the staff recommendation to due to the limit of available funding.
4. **Lodi Boy's & Girl's Club** *Requested Amount: \$31,000 Recommended Amount: \$6,385*  
A portion of their request (\$15,115) was deemed ineligible as maintenance and operations expenses. Due to the constraints of available funding, another portion of their request, for exterior signage and a gate for the driveway have not been recommended for approval.
5. **Lodi Parks & Recreation Dept.** *Requested Amount: \$689,000 Recommended Amount: \$175,000*  
Their request included 8 projects for various park improvements. Funding for 3 of those projects (\$335,000) was determined to be ineligible for this funding. Due to the constraints of available funding, not all of the remaining eligible projects have been recommended for approval. Those projects included in the staff recommendation are the top three projects based upon the Parks & Recreation's Departments priorities.
6. **Lodi Public Works Department** *Requested Amount: \$200,000 Recommended Amount: \$175,000*  
Due to the constraints of available funding, staff was only able to recommend this amount.
7. **LOEL Senior Center** *Requested Amount: \$30,758 Recommended Amount: \$22,908*  
Their request included 2 projects. Due to the constraints of available funding, only one project could be funded at this time. LOEL Center Administration determined the recommended project to be the more important of the two.

In addition to the 2003/04 CDBG funds allocated from HUD, staff is also recommending the reallocation of existing CDBG funds from the 2002/03 Program year to insure that available funds are used in a timely manner and to meet the needs of a specific applicant. The proposed Mary Graham Children's Shelter Foundation project is scheduled to start as soon as possible in order to be completed by a target date in September. Allocating 2003/04 Program funds to this project would not provide the funding within that timeframe. Due to a lower than expected bid for the Lodi Lake Handicap-Accessible Pedestrian/Bike Path Project which was funded with 2002/03 CDBG funds, additional funds are available there which the Mary Graham Children's Center Foundation could access within their project timeline. At the same time, per HUD Guidelines, if funding is not redistributed and used in a timely manner, we face the possibility of losing those funds. Therefore, staff feels that it is both prudent and appropriate to reallocate those funds, and is forwarding a recommendation accordingly.

In regards to the 2003/04 HOME Program funding, one request for \$80,000 was received from Habitat for Humanity. Staff is recommending approval of that request and is recommending further that the remainder of HOME funds be allocated to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program within our existing Housing Assistance Program, which offers low interest loans for housing rehabilitation projects.

All applications for funding are on file in the Community Development Department if any specific detail of a request is desired. A summary of all requests is attached to this document as Exhibit A.

FUNDING: 2003/04 Allocation of CDBG Program Funds: \$843,222.00  
2003/04 Allocation of HOME Program Funds: \$245,891.00  
Reallocation Project No. 02-16 (Acct. No. 458216) \$ 48,345.00



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Community Development Director

Prepared by Joseph Wood, Community Improvement Manager

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Attachment

cc: Director of Finance  
Director of Parks & Recreation  
Director of Public Works  
Jon Moore, San Joaquin County  
CDBG/Home Applicants

## SUMMARY OF ALL CDBG/HOME APPLICATIONS

- 1. Greater Stockton Food Bank**                      **Requested: \$25,000**                      **Recommended: \$25,000**  
 Funding Request: Repair/Replace existing 1000 sq. ft. refrigerator/freezer unit and repair/replace roof. Facility is located in Stockton. Proportionate funding requests, based upon the level of service provided within each community, have been made with both City of Stockton and San Joaquin County. Use of funds not dependent on receiving CDBG funding from other agencies.
- 2. Family Law Service Center**                      **Requested: \$7,800**                      **Recommended: \$7,800**  
 Funding Request: Provide funds to further increase services to clients. Provides legal services to low-income Lodi residents on issues relating to custodial care of minor children, abusive environments, etc.
- 3. Lodi Unified School District**                      **Requested: \$245,989**                      **Recommended: \$100,000**  
 Funding Request: To either provide new ADA compliant playground equipment at locations where none exist now or replace existing non-compliant equipment with ADA accessible equipment. Playgrounds will remain accessible to area residents after school hours. Additional funding sources will be provided to supplement CDBG funds for these projects.
- 4. Senior Service Agency of SJC**                      **Requested: \$11,440**                      **Recommended: \$0**  
 Funding Request: To purchase a replacement vehicle for the Meals on Wheels program. Agency is requesting a proportionate amount of the total vehicle cost from each jurisdiction in which service is provided.
- 5. Second Harvest Food Bank**                      **Requested: \$10,000**                      **Recommended: \$10,000**  
 Funding Request: Expand Senior Brown Bag, Food 4 Thought and Food Assistance Programs that they currently provide in Lodi. Applicant is able to provide additional services while maintaining the same funding request each year.
- 6. Mary Graham Children's Shelter Foundation**                      **Requested: \$57,147**                      **Recommended: \$48,345**  
 Funding Request: Purchase and install playground equipment to complete the Child Advocacy Center facility and the Central Campus Playground at Mary Graham's Children Shelter.
- 7. Lodi Boy's & Girl's Club**                      **Requested: \$31,000**                      **Recommended: \$6,385**  
 Funding Request: Funding to purchase equipment/software for upgrading the client tracking program, make maintenance repairs and improvements to the facility and purchase maintenance equipment, install a sign for the front of the building and gate on the parking lot driveway.
- 8. Salvation Army Food Bank**                      **Requested: \$200,000**                      **Recommended: \$200,000**  
 Funding Request: Renovate a portion of the new facility acquired on North Sacramento Street to accommodate the food bank function which currently operates from their facility on East Lockeford Street. This will include the purchase and installation of a new walk-in freezer and cooler.
- 9. City of Lodi Public Works**                      **Requested: \$200,000**                      **Recommended: \$175,000**  
 Funding Request: Continue with their annual handicap ramp retrofit project which provide ADA compliant sidewalk access at intersections throughout Lodi.
- 10. City of Lodi Parks & Recreation**                      **Requested: \$689,000**                      **Recommended: \$175,000**  
 Funding Request: A total of 8 park improvement projects. Most address handicap accessibility issues and correct safety hazards at playground facilities.
- 11. City of Lodi Transit/Laidlaw**                      **Requested: \$10,000**                      **Recommended: \$10,000**  
 Funding Request: Continue the existing Grapeline & Dial-A-Ride pass program which distributes transit passes to low-income individuals and senior citizens to meet essential transportation needs. Distribution is being increased to more agencies or organizations that provide service to low-income or senior citizens.

12. **LOEL Senior Center** Requested: \$30,758 Recommended: \$22,908  
Funding Request: To remove and replace existing floor covering which is being damaged by water intrusion, thereby creating a health and safety hazard, and make improvements to existing restroom facilities. Restroom improvements will not address ADA compliance.
13. **Community Partnership for Families** Requested: \$45,000 Recommended: \$45,000  
Funding Request: To cover the planning and design costs for the development of their proposed family resource center which will be built adjacent or attached to the Lodi Boy's and Girl's Club building. This is a two-phase project, this first phase providing the necessary project and building information for a future request for a capital improvement project.
14. **Fair Housing** Requested: \$23,857 Recommended: \$23,857  
Funding Request: The annual fair-share cost to provide fair housing services in each jurisdiction, which include landlord-tenant rights information and investigation of discriminatory housing practices.
15. **Program Administration** Requested: \$42,272 Recommended: \$42,272  
Funding Request: Costs related to the administration of the CDBG and HOME Programs through the Community Development and Finance Departments.
16. **Habitat For Humanity** Requested: \$80,000 HOME funds Recommended: \$80,000 HOME funds  
Funding Request: Funds to acquire a residential lot in order to build a new single-family dwelling or a residential property in order to rehabilitate an existing dwelling unit.

## 2003/04 CDBG Program Applications

Applicant	Amount Requested	Project/Service Description	Eligible Projects	Amount Recommended
Greater Stockton Food Bank	\$25,000	Repair/Replace existing 1000 sq. ft. refrigerator/freezer unit and repair/reroof building.	\$25,000	\$25,000
Family Law Service Center	\$7,800	Legal services to low income.	\$7,800	\$7,800
Lodi Unified School District	\$245,989	1. New playground equipment at Tiny Tots Program (Adult School) 2. New playground equipment at Joe Serna Charter School 3. Replace existing playground equipment at Lawrence School 4. Replace existing playground equipment at Washington School 5. Replace existing playground equipment at Vinewood School (East) 6. Replace existing playground equipment at Reese School 7. Replace existing playground equipment at Vinewood School (K)	\$245,989	\$100,000
Senior Service Agency	\$11,440	Purchase a delivery vehicle for Meals on Wheels Program.	\$0	\$0
Second Harvest Food Bank	\$10,000	Expanding Senior Brown Bag, Food 4 Thought and Food Assistance Programs	\$10,000	\$10,000
Mary Graham Children Shelter Foundation	\$57,147	New playground equipment	\$48,345	\$0 <i>See Reallocation</i>
Lodi Boys & Girls Club	\$31,000	1. Computer programs for tracking clientele. (\$6,385) 2. Gate on driveway. (\$3,500) 3. New Sign on front of building. (\$6,000) 4. M&O on building. (\$12,365) 5. Maintenance Equipment (\$2,750)	\$15,885	\$6,385
Salvation Army Food Bank	\$200,000	Renovate facility on North Sacramento Street.	\$200,000	\$200,000
City of Lodi Public Works - Engineering	\$200,000	Handicap Ramps	\$200,000	\$175,000
City of Lodi Parks & Recreation	\$689,000	1. Emerson Park Playground Improvements - Phase 1 (\$109,000) 2. Hale Park Playground Equipment Replacement (\$60,000) 3. Peterson Park "West" Playground Improvements (\$90,000) 4. Armory Park Parking Lot Area (\$68,000) 5. Stockton Street "Softball Complex" Landscaping (\$42,000) 6. Hale Park Tot Playground Equipment Replacement (\$70,000) 7. Lodi LOOK Building (\$25,000) 8. Grape Bowl Restroom/Concession Stand Replacement (\$225,000)	\$354,000	\$175,000
Lodi Transit/Laidlaw	\$10,000	Dial-a-Ride/Grapeline passes for various agencies	\$10,000	\$10,000
LOEL Senior Center	\$30,758	1. Remove existing flooring (22,908) 2. Rehab restroom facilities (\$7,850)	\$30,758	\$22,908
Community Partnership for Families	\$45,000	Design costs for Family Resource Center	\$45,000	\$45,000
Fair Housing	\$23,857	Fair share allocation for fair housing services.	\$23,857	\$23,857
Program Administration	\$42,272	Program Administration	\$42,272	\$42,272
TOTAL CDBG FUNDS REQUESTED	\$1,629,263		\$1,258,906	
2003/04 CDBG ALLOCATION	\$843,222			
TOTAL CDBG FUNDS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL				\$843,222

### Reallocation of Available CDBG Funds: Lodi Lake Handicap-Accessible Pedestrian/Bike Path Project No. 02-16 (Acct. No. 458216)

Mary Graham Children Center Foundation	\$57,147	New playground equipment	\$48,345	\$48,345
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2003/04 HOME Program Applications

Habitat for Humanity	\$80,000	Acquire vacant residential lot for new construction or residential property with existing dwelling to rehabilitate.	\$80,000	\$80,000
City of Lodi Housing Assistance Programs	\$165,891	Housing Rehabilitation Program	\$165,891	\$165,891
TOTAL HOME FUNDS REQUESTED				\$245,891
2003/04 HOME PROGRAM ALLOCATION				\$245,891

## **2001-2003 FINANCIAL PLAN AND BUDGET**

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### **BUDGET POLICIES**

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alternative transportation programs - in conjunction with other state and federal grants for this purpose- will be self-supporting from TDA revenues. As available, TDA funds will also be used for street maintenance projects.

#### **D. Enterprise Fund Allocations to the General Fund**

1. The goal of Proposition 4 is to limit growth in appropriations of both state and local government to changes in the cost of living and population in order to control spending levels. Proposition 4 further describes the difference between "tax proceeds" and fees. Tax proceeds are the revenue from regulatory licenses, user charges and user fees to the extent the revenue exceeds the cost of providing the regulation, product or service. (This includes transfers from an enterprise fund to the extent those funds exceeded the cost of providing the services).
2. As discussed above, the funds transferred from the City's enterprise funds to the City's general fund are "In-Lieu of Taxes" to the extent they exceed the cost of services provided by general services (accounting, personnel, legal, insurance, etc.). These taxes will be levied based on prior year revenues as follows:

	<u>2001-02</u>	<u>2002-03</u>
In-lieu of Tax - Electric	12%	12%
In-lieu of Tax - Water	17%	12%
In-lieu of Tax - Sewer	20%	12%

#### **E. Special Revenue Allocations to the General Fund**

Revenues the City receives for specific services (i.e. vehicle tow charges) will not be designated for use by an individual department unless required by statute or approved by the City Council. When required by statute (i.e. asset seizure), these funds will be first allocated to the purchase of necessary and essential equipment and/or services prior to purchase with General Fund resources.

#### **F. Grants and Donations**

Council must approve applications for grants or acceptance of donations containing restrictions that may have an impact on the budget.

#### **G. USE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS**

Each year, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awards cities grants to carry out a number of community development activities in an effort to revitalize neighborhoods, foster economic development and improve community facilities and services. Lodi receives those grant funds in a formula-based allocation to use to address identified community development needs.

CDBG funds may be used for activities that include, but are not limited to:



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- Acquisition of real property;
- Relocation or demolition
- Rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures;
- Construction of new public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes;
- Public Services, within certain limits;
- Activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources; and
- Providing assistance to profit-motivated businesses to carry out economic development and job creating/retention activities.

CDBG funds must also be used to meet one of the following national objectives:

- Provide benefit to low- and moderate-income persons, which includes the handicapped and elderly;
- Prevent or eliminate slums or blight; or
- Meet a specific urgent need because of existing conditions, which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available.

The following local objectives are identified for the allocation of CDBG funds:

1. With the exception of certain administrative costs, each proposed use of CDBG funds is categorized as either a public service or a capital improvement/bricks and mortar project. It is the intent of this Budget Policy to give priority in funding to eligible capital improvement projects over public service-related funding requests.
2. HUD has established guidelines that require that funds be allocated and expended in a timely manner. It is the intent of this Budget Policy to require that any proposed funding request meet a readiness criterion to ensure that the funds will be used in the program year that they are awarded, thereby allowing the City to remain in compliance with HUD regulations.

### **APPROPRIATION LIMITATION**

- A. The Council will annually adopt a resolution establishing its appropriation limit calculated in accordance with Article XIII B of the Constitution of the State of California, Section 7900 of the State of California Government Code, and any other voter approved amendments or state legislation that affect the City's appropriation limit.
- B. The City will strive to develop revenue sources, both new and existing, which are considered non-tax proceeds in calculating its appropriations subject to limitation.
- C. The City will annually review user fees and charges and report to the Council the amount of program subsidy, if any, that is being provided by the General Fund or Enterprise Funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE  
PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS FOR THE 2003-2004 COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME PROGRAM FUNDS,  
AND FURTHER REALLOCATING AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM  
PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR

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WHEREAS, the *Department of Housing and Urban Development* has determined that the City of Lodi, California, is entitled to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME funding as a participating City through the County of San Joaquin and Urban County for fiscal year 2003-2004; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lodi has been made aware of the amount of the CDBG and HOME funds available for the 2003-2004 fiscal program year being approximately \$843,222.00 and \$245,891.00, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi has held, with proper notification, a public hearing at the City Council meeting of March 5, 2003, to receive comments and proposals from the public regarding the projected use of CDBG and HOME funds, and provided the public with adequate information concerning the amount of funds available for community development activities, the range of eligible activities, and other important requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi, California, has received public input regarding the proposed use of CDBG and HOME funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Lodi has been made aware of the need to reallocate unused CDBG and HOME funds from previous years to facilitate the expedited use of those funds; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City Council approve the 2003-2004 CDBG Program and HOME Applications as follows:

**2003-2004 CDBG Program Funds**

Greater Stockton Food Bank	\$ 25,000.00
Family Law Service Center	\$ 7,800.00
Lodi Unified School District	\$100,000.00
Second Harvest Food Bank	\$ 10,000.00
Lodi Boys & Girls Club	\$ 6,385.00
Salvation Army Food Bank	\$200,000.00
City of Lodi Public Works/Engineering	\$175,000.00
City of Lodi Parks & Recreation	\$175,000.00
City of Lodi Transit/Laidlaw	\$ 10,000.00
Loel Senior Center	\$ 22,908.00
Community Partnership for Families	\$ 45,000.00
Fair Housing	\$ 23,857.00
Program Administration	\$ 42,272.00
	<b><u>\$843,222.00</u></b>

**2003-2004 HOME Program Funds**

Habitat for Humanity	\$ 80,000.00
City of Lodi Housing Assistance Programs	<u>\$165,891.00</u>
	<b><u>\$245,891.00</u></b>

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City Council approve the reallocation of \$48,345.00 in 2002-2003 CDBG funds from the Lodi Lake Handicap-Accessible Pedestrian/Bike Path Project to the Mary Graham Children's Shelter Foundation Project as follows:

**2002-2003 CDBG FUND REALLOCATIONS**

Reallocate funds from the Lodi Lake Handicap-Accessible Pedestrian/Bike Path Project to the Mary Graham Children's Shelter Foundation Project **\$ 48,345.00**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve the allocations of CDBG and HOME funds to the projects listed above as recommended by staff in the amount of \$843,222.00 and \$245,891.00, respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby recommend the reallocation of \$48,345.00 in 2002-2003 CDBG funds from the Lodi Lake Handicap-Accessible Pedestrian/Bike Path Project to the Mary Graham Children's Shelter Foundation Project.

Dated: March 5, 2003

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-34 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held March 5, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
City Clerk



## CITY OF LODI

Carnegie Forum  
305 West Pine Street, Lodi

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Date: March 5, 2003

Time: 7:00 p.m.

For information regarding this notice please contact:

**Susan J. Blackston**

City Clerk

Telephone: (209) 333-6702

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, March 5, 2003** at the hour of 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council will conduct a Public Hearing at the Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street, Lodi, to consider the following matter:

- a) to consider and approve community input and proposals for uses of the City's 2003/04 Federal allocation of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Program funds and the reallocation of available funds from previous program years

Information regarding this item may be obtained in the office of the Community Development Department, 221 West Pine Street, Lodi, California. All interested persons are invited to present their views and comments on this matter. Written statements may be filed with the City Clerk at any time prior to the hearing scheduled herein, and oral statements may be made at said hearing.

If you challenge the subject matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk, 221 West Pine Street, at or prior to the Public Hearing.

By Order of the Lodi City Council:

Susan J. Blackston  
City Clerk

Dated: February 19, 2003

Approved as to form:

Randall A. Hays  
City Attorney



## DECLARATION OF POSTING

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE COMMUNITY INPUT  
AND PROPOSALS FOR USES OF THE CITY'S 2003/04 FEDERAL ALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME PROGRAM FUNDS AND THE REALLOCATION OF  
AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEARS**

On Wednesday, February 19, 2003 in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, California, a copy of the Notice of public hearing to consider and approve community input and proposals for uses of the city's 2003/04 federal allocation of Community Development block grant funds and the reallocation of available funds from previous program years (attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A") was posted at the following four locations:

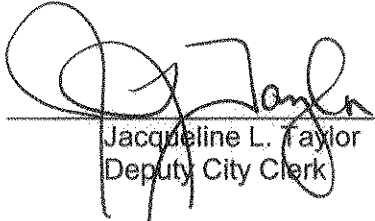
Lodi Public Library  
Lodi City Clerk's Office  
Lodi City Hall Lobby  
Lodi Carnegie Forum

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20, 2003 at Lodi, California.

ORDERED BY:

**SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
CITY CLERK**

  
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Deputy City Clerk

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Jennifer M. Perrin  
Deputy City Clerk



## **DECLARATION OF MAILING**

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE COMMUNITY INPUT AND PROPOSALS FOR USES OF THE CITY'S 2003/04 FEDERAL ALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME PROGRAM FUNDS AND THE REALLOCATION OF AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEARS**

On February 19, 2003 in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, California, I deposited in the United States mail, envelopes with first-class postage prepaid thereon, containing a letter regarding to consider and approve community input and proposals for uses of the City's 2003/04 Federal allocation of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Program funds and the reallocation of available funds from previous program years, marked Exhibit "A"; said envelopes were addressed as is more particularly shown on Exhibit "B" attached hereto.

There is a regular daily communication by mail between the City of Lodi, California, and the places to which said envelopes were addressed.

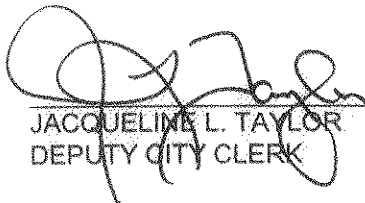
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20, 2003, at Lodi, California.

ORDERED BY:

**SUSAN BLACKSTON**  
**CITY CLERK, CITY OF LODI**

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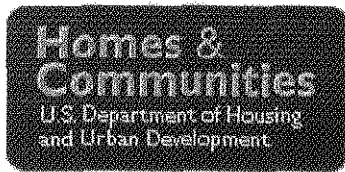
  
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ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

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Toni	Cecchetti	Family Law Service Center	42 N. Sutter Street Suite 302	Stockton	CA	95202
Susan	Ryan	Lodi Unified School District	1305 E. Vine Street	Lodi	CA	95240
Don E.	Bennett	Greater Stockton Emergency Food Bank	7 W. Scotts Avenue	Stockton	CA	95203
Brain	Cornell, Executive Director	Senior Serive Agency of S. J. County	P O Box 45	Stockton	CA	95201-0045
Paul T.	Rengh	Second Harvest Food Bank	704 E. Industrial Park	Manteca	CA	95337
Lindy	Turner, Outreach Corrdinator	Mary Graham's Children Shelter Foundation	P O Box 201056	Stockton	CA	95201-3006
Edwin	Cotton	Lodi Boy's & Girl's Club	275 Poplar Street	Lodi	CA	95240
Captain Frank	Severs	Lodi Salvation Army	525 W. Lockeford Street	Lodi	CA	95240
Pete	Chadwick	Habitat for Humanity - Lodi Chapter	P O Box 7429	Stockton	CA	95267
Wes	Fujitani, Senior Civil Engineer	City of Lodi	P O Box 3006	Lodi	CA	95241
Roger	Baltz, Parks & Recreation Director	City of Lodi	P O Box 3006	Lodi	CA	95241
Cynthia	Reich	LOEL Senior Center	105 S. Washington Street	Lodi	CA	95240
Stewart	Wakeling	Community Partnership for Families	P O Box 1569	Stockton	CA	

filed 3-5-03  
Item 6-1



## community development block grant (cdbg) entitlement communities program

### **Summary:**

CDBG provides eligible metropolitan cities and urban counties (called "entitlement communities") with annual direct grants that they can use to revitalize neighborhoods, expand affordable housing and economic opportunities, and/or improve community facilities and services, principally to benefit low- and moderate-income persons.

### **Purpose:**

Since 1974 CDBG has been the backbone of improvement efforts in many communities, providing a flexible source of annual grant funds for local governments nationwide—funds that they, with the participation of local citizens, can devote to the activities that best serve their own particular development priorities, provided that these projects either (1) benefit low- and moderate-income persons; (2) prevent or eliminate slums or blight; or (3) meet other urgent community development needs. The CDBG Entitlement Communities program provides this Federal assistance to almost 1000 of the largest localities in the country.

As one of the Nation's largest Federal grant programs, the impact of CDBG-funded projects can be seen in the housing stock, the business environment, the streets and the public facilities of these entitlement communities. Although the rehabilitation of affordable housing has traditionally been the largest single use of CDBG funds, the program is also an increasingly important catalyst for economic development activities that expand job and business opportunities for lower income persons and neighborhoods.

### **Type of Assistance:**

Each year, the grant funds available for entitlement communities are allocated according to relative need on the basis of the higher of two formulas. The first considers the presence of overcrowded housing in the locality, its population, and poverty rate. The second uses housing age, population growth lag, and poverty rate.

### **Eligible Grantees:**

Recipients of CDBG entitlement funds include local governments with 50,000 or more residents, other local governments designated as central cities of metropolitan areas, and urban counties with populations of at least 200,000 (excluding the population of entitled cities). Local governments may carry out all activities themselves or award some or all of the funds to private or public nonprofit organizations as well as for-profit entities. A separate component of CDBG—the State CDBG Program—provides program funds to the States, which they allocate among localities that do not qualify as entitlement communities.



**Eligible Customers:**

Low- and moderate-income persons (generally defined as members of a family earning no more than 80 percent of the area median income) benefit most directly and most often from CDBG-funded activities. Grantees must use at least 70 percent of CDBG funds for activities that principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. This includes activities where either the majority of direct beneficiaries (from the jobs created, for example, or the housing units rehabilitated) are low- or moderate-income persons and activities that serve an area generally (a new community center, for example, or sidewalk repairs) where the majority of the residents of that service area are low- and moderate-income persons.

**Eligible Activities:**

Grantees may use CDBG funds for activities that include (but are not limited to):

- Acquiring real property (primarily land, buildings, and other permanent improvements to the property) for public purposes. This type of activity might include, for example, buying abandoned houses for rehabilitation or an old industrial site in a distressed neighborhood for redevelopment. CDBG also helps communities demolish property and clear sites to prepare the land for other uses.

- Reconstructing or rehabilitating housing and other property. From homeless shelters to single-family homes and from playgrounds to shopping centers, CDBG enables communities to improve properties that have become less usable, whether due to age, neglect, natural disaster, or changing needs. New construction of housing is allowed only in certain circumstances.

- Building public facilities and improvements, such as streets, sidewalks, sewers, water systems, community and senior citizen centers and recreational facilities.

- Helping people prepare for and obtain employment through education and job training, welfare-to-work activities, and other services.

- Assisting for-profit businesses for special economic development activities. Such projects might include microenterprise loans to low-income entrepreneurs, assembling land to attract new industry, or business expansion loans to help retain existing businesses that employ low-income workers.

- Providing public services for youths, seniors, or the disabled. These might include day care centers, youth services and meals on wheels for the elderly, health care facilities, transportation, or counseling.

- Carrying out crime reduction initiatives such as establishing neighborhood watch programs, providing extra police patrols, rehabilitating or constructing police substations, and clearing abandoned buildings used for illegal activities.

- Assisting low-income homebuyers directly through, for example, downpayment assistance, subsidizing interest rates or helping with closing costs for first-time buyers.

- Enforcing local building codes to reverse housing deterioration and other signs of blight.

- Paying for planning and administrative expenses

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